

Machine Learning Programming Assignment

Exercise 1 : File read and write

Iris database - The data set contains 3 classes of 50 instances each, where each class refers to a type of iris plant. It contains 4 numeric features and the predicted attribute is class of iris plant.

Observation: None of the values were 0, hence didn't skip any index

Exercise 2 : Regression

The relation between x and y is non-linear. Hence to catch non-linear relationship we generate Feature matrix $= [1, x, x^2, \dots, x^{10}]$

Loss function $= ||\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{Y}||_2^2 + \lambda ||\mathbf{w}||_2^2$ (L_2 norm)

Regularisation parameter $= \lambda$

- Idea is to first find best λ based on dividing input data to validation and training dataset.
- Next with best λ find the parameters
- Last check the accuracy on the training set by given parameter

Validation data $= 1/4^{\text{th}}$ of the data for validation

Training data $= 3/4^{\text{th}}$ of the data for training

Tried different lambda from $1e^{-4}$ to 10 on same validation set.

Best lambda is coming out to be 2.8676, validation_loss = 144.051

As we increase lambda our training loss gets higher (2.77 \rightarrow 10.86), but our validation_loss decreases sharply (394.424 \rightarrow 144.051) because we are making our model more rigorous to new data.

Loss on full training dataset is coming out to be 8.182